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SUBJ: VISIT OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL

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1. EMBASSY WELCOMES VISIT OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL AND MRS. ELMER B. STAATS, AUGUST 25-28. CONTROL OFFICER WILL BE ROBERT J. MONTGOMERY, ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR, WHO WILL MEET MR. AND MRS. STAATS UPON ARRIVAL.

2. WHILE EMBASSY DOES NOT WISH TO INTRUDE INTO ANY ARRANGE-MENTS WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN MADE PRIVATELY, WE STAND READY TO ASSIST MR. AND MRS. STAATS AS THEY PREFER. MORE SPECIFICALLY, IF MR. STAATS DESIRES, WE COULD ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE A CALL BY HIM ON ING. JAN KAZIMOUR, CHAIRMAN OF THE FEDERAL STATISTICAL OFFICE, WHOSE POSITION IS ROUGHLY EQUIVALENT TO THAT OF OUR COMPTROLLER GENERAL. EMBASSY HAS NEVER BEEN ABLE TO ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH ING. KAZIMOUR OR HIS ORGANIZATION, BUT MR. STAATS' PRESENCE IN PRAGUE MIGHT BE THE CATALYST REQUIRED TO INDUCE SUCH CONTACT. ALSO, SINCE MR. STAATS IS A MEMBER OF THE TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL, WE COULD TRY TO ORGANIZE A CALL ON LADISLAV SUPKA, MINISTER OF TECHNOLOGY AND INVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT, OR ONE OF HIS SENIOR DEPUTIES. SHOULD THIS TYPE PROGRAM MATERIALIZE, MR. STAATS UNCLASSIFIED

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WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY BECOME INVOLVED IN A SOCIAL FUNCTION,

PROBABLY A LUNCHEON HOSTED BY THE AMBASSADOR OR THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL CONCERNED. OF COURSE, WE WOULD WELCOME ANY SUGGESTIONS OF MR. STAATS REGARDING CALLS OR OTHER ACTIVITIES HE MIGHT WANT TO UNDERTAKE WHILE IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: PLS ADVISE OF ANY ACTIVITIES MR. AND MRS. STAATS MIGHT WANT THE EMBASSY TO ORGANIZE FOR THEM, PARTICULARLY ANY CALLS ON CZECHOSLOVAK OFFICIALS SUCH AS ING. KAZIMOUR OR MINISTER SUPKA.
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